

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Acting Director of Public Works

At its meeting held May 24, 2005, the Board acting as the Governing Body of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley, took the following action:

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At the time and place regularly set, notice having been duly given, the following item was called up:

Hearing on proposed increases to existing water supply charges by 74%, for the construction of water system improvements within existing service areas for Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley (5), as follows: a) Local System Improvement (Frontage) Charge (per foot of benefited frontage) from \$14.61 - \$73.65 to \$25.42 - \$128.15; b) Capital Improvement (Acreage) Charge (per acre of benefited area) from \$1,267 - \$1,897 to \$2,205 - \$3,301; c) Capital Improvement (Tank Capacity Unit) Charge (per tank capacity unit) from \$480 to \$835; and d) Water Meter Application Processing Charge (per meter) from \$339 -\$687 to \$590 - \$1,195; and to establish a new Water Supply Reliability Charge to fund capital projects and firm up the District's water supply for new development without impacting existing customers, as follows: a) Water Banking Fee to establish a water-banking program to store water from the California State Water Project, or any other source, for use during dry years (\$1,500 per billing unit); b) Groundwater Supply Fee for developing groundwater wells (\$3,000 per billing unit); and c) Recycled Water Fee for the use of tertiary treated effluent from the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County's water reclamation plants (\$1,200 per billing unit); also find that the project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act, as further described in the attached letter from the Acting Director of Public Works dated April 21, 2005.

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Opportunity was given for interested persons to address the Board. No interested persons addressed the Board. No correspondence was presented.

On motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried, the Board acting as the governing body of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley, closed the hearing and took the following actions:

- Made a finding that the purpose of the increases in existing Water Supply Charges and adoption of a new Water Supply Reliability Charge are to fund capital projects and firm up the water supplies necessary to maintain water service within the District's existing service areas and are therefore exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act;
- Adopted the attached resolution approving increases to existing water supply charges for the construction of water system improvements within existing service areas; and establishing a new Water Supply Reliability Charge to fund capital projects and firm up the District's water supply for new development without impacting existing customers, for Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley (5);
- 3. Adopted the attached amendments to the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40 Antelope Valley, Rules and Regulations to reflect the increases in the existing Water Supply Charges and Adoption of the new Water Supply Reliability Charge;
- Instructed the Acting Director of Public Works to review the water rates and charges on January 1 of every year and make a recommendation to the Board to adjust the water rates and charges accordingly.

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## **Attachments**

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